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## SUPREME JUSTICES APPOINTED

FROM SOUTHERN  
STATES BEFORE

THE CIVIL WAR AND AFTER

Judge Lorton, Recently Appointed  
from Tennessee by President,  
Fifth Since the Year 1860

The members of the supreme court of the United States appointed from southern states before the beginning of the civil war were: John Rutledge of South Carolina, in 1789; John Blair of Virginia, in 1789; Robt. H. Harrison of

whose confirmation is daily expected, Tennessee has furnished three supreme justices. South Carolina, three; North Carolina, two; Virginia, five; Kentucky three; Alabama, two; Georgia, two; Mississippi, one, and Louisiana, one—Nashville Banner.

## WILL TRAIN JEFFRIES.

James J. Corbett will Train Jeffries for the Big Fight With Jack Johnson

New York, Dec. 17.—James J. Corbett will be the animated punching bag on which James J. Jeffries will practice in fitting himself for his fight with Jack Johnson.

This was the announcement made today by Corbett on his arrival from Europe on the Mauretania. He said he would start a series of hard fights with Jeffries forty days before the big fight comes off.

"I am going to do all I can to help Jeffries win," declared Corbett. "I have arranged to get into condition myself. We will go at one another as if there was a big stake up."

"If Jim Jeffries was the Jeffries he was ten years ago, I wouldn't bother going to see the fight. But we must find out just what stamina he may have lost while he has been out of the game. In some of my bouts with him

## CHRISTMAS SEASON OF GIFT GIVING

GIFTS MUST BE  
UNTRAMMELED

HAS DONE MUCH GOOD

For Us And We Have Done  
Much For It—The Great  
Joy of Giving of Gifts

Can any one imagine a world without Christmas, or in imagining can fail to realize what Christmas has done for the world? The exigencies of our modern life have robbed us of the full meaning of Sunday. One man's rest

dens of Christmas. The dwell on the obligations of the day and the burden of making gifts. But the spirit of Christmas is not with such as these, and the gifts at which they murmur never belonged to the day. A gift—and it is of gifts one must think on Christmas, since it was on that day the greatest of gifts was made to the world—a gift must always be free. It must be untrammelled. It must impose no obligation. It must have no taint of selfishness in it, nor any spirit of barter or gain. It must spring spontaneously from the highest and most noble impulse in ourselves. There is a joy and a blessedness in giving, but there is something even higher than this when the thought of the good belonging to others prevails over these. We have only to look at the world's greatest gift and draw our meaning from it.

There lies in each one's hand a great privilege on Christmas day beyond all other days. Whether by word or good cheer, of hope and encouragement, whether by kindly greeting or a gentle act of courtesy, or whether by gifts or merry makings, by the simplest things we do or by the greatest, the privilege and power are ours of making another feel all the joy that is our own. For joy is God-given and belongs by right to each and all of us, and as through joy in Christ we came to a knowledge of the common brotherhood of man, so through joy in each other we may learn to know Christ again,

## COMMERCIAL CLUB APPOINTS COMMITTEES

FOR THE SUC-  
CEEDING YEAR

THIRTEEN COMMITTEES

Appointed By President C. L.  
Marshall of the Commercial  
Club for This Year

President C. L. Marshall, of the Commercial Club, has made the following committee appointments for the succeeding year:  
Executive committee, S. C. Williams, E. F. Young, and Jas. A. Summers.

Hunter, T. E. Hurst, H. M. Burleson, Smith Bird and T. P. Boone.  
Schools and education, J. E. Brad- ing, Guy L. Smith, J. E. Crouch, A. R. Johnson and Geo. E. Burbage.  
State and county, Geo. C. Sells, J. Stanley Barlow, Paul E. Divine, C. D. Friberg and W. J. Barton.  
Manufacturing sites and locations, Geo. T. Wofford, J. Fred Johnson, Geo. W. Hardin, W. G. Mathes, R. F. Brewer.

## PATTERSON IN TROUSDALE.

Since the county primary in Trousdale has been held and the race for chancellor over the untitled democracy will turn its attention to the race for governor and United States Senator, Former governor McMillin has many friends in this county and section who desire to see him go to the senate, and so has governor Patterson. The organized democrats, though, talk no one else but governor Patterson for re-election. The prohibitionists are divided, but most of them appear to favor state treasurer Folk. General Hannah, McCann and Luke Lea have each substantial following, however. The organization democrats are all against the new primary election law and a great many of the prohibition democrats in the rural communities who think that the law gives the republicans the advantage. J. Carr Crenshaw chairman of the democratic executive

## PROMOTION FOR ROBT. S. SHARP

MAY BE MADE  
FIRST ASSISTANT

U.S. POSTMASTER-GENERAL

John R. Early Candidate as Collec-  
tor of Internal Revenue in Case  
Change is Consummated.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 20.—Robert S. Sharp, collector of internal revenue, is tipped for first assistant postmaster-general, and the rumor is given strong credence among local republican politicians. Ever since Mr. Sharp's recent

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Fine Florida stock direct from the grower. Thin skin, delicious flavor. Ripened in Florida.

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Our Fruit Cakes are superior. Not such as you have had from bakers formerly, but more luscious than home made.

Let us have your Christmas orders for every thing in the Grocery, Bakery or Meat line. Our Meat market as usual is stocked with the best.

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is purchased at the cost of another man's labor. In this way universal peace prevails.

Our time of thanksgiving is a time of merrymaking, each family choosing its own way of celebrating the day. It is a national, not a universal jubilee, held closer to the hearts of certain sections than to others. And so with high days and holidays the world over, with all feasts and all festivals. They belong to creeds or governments, to superstitions of the soil or traditions of tribes. But Christmas—Christmas belongs to no one nation alone, nor to one tongue, nor to one latitude or longitude, nor to one color or creed. Neither is it a movable feast, though it comes with the frost of winter with us and with the perfume of drooping blossoms in the southern hemisphere. Nor yet is it a day that one man celebrates with a dance and another with a feast, thinking that he has fulfilled all of its spirit. Though feasts belong to it, and good cheer, and all the sweet delights of gift giving; though we associate with it the jeweled and candied tree and the blazing yule log, though the deer of St. Nicholas prance over the snow and young hearts are merry and old hearts are glad—though all of these things belong to this day, yet even they are but the outcome and fulfillment of that deeper note which marks this day—a note of good will to men sung first by the angels of Bethlehem.

It is the spirit of good will to others that all men feel or should feel on Christmas. It is this spirit which makes the day distinct and pre-eminent. It is this spirit which distinguishes the day from all other days. We have done much for Christmas. We have given it joyous ceremonies. We have given it sorceries that have grown in beauty and sentiment through the centuries. We have done this for Christmas, but Christmas has done far more for us. It has given to the world this one day, when, all about its hemispheres, like a finely wrought web, one thought is woven in the minds of men, inspiring the best and noblest actions of the year. There is no one who does not feel its influence or in failing to feel it does not pity himself that his joy is dead. The poorest, the most squalid, the least seer, the happiest, the most prosperous of men all obey one common impulse. They give their best, poor as some of their offerings may be, for the joy of others. It is this, then, that Christmas has done for the world, stirring men to common action, and with such a cord of thought about the world, growing stronger and wider each one of these nineteen hundred and nine years, who can doubt that in its spirit may be found the true secret of those great philanthropic measures which beyond all other events mark the enlightened legislation of our day? There are self-appointed censors who see none of the joys and only the bur-

den and the prayer of Tiny Tim is the prayer of each, "God bless us every one."—Commercial Appeal.

## GIFT OF \$5,000 FOR MILLIGAN COLLEGE

Prof. A. P. Milligan, of the Kentucky university, at Lexington, sent his check for \$5,000 to the trustees of Milligan college, which is located three miles south of this city.

This institution was named in honor of Robert Milligan, father of Prof. Milligan, and the check is a gift to be used in making improvements on the college buildings.

This school was founded about thirty years ago by Prof. J. H. Hapwood. Dr. Frederick Kershner is president of the college, and under his wise administration it is growing in numbers and popularity.

It is sectarian, belonging to the Christian church.

Finance, S. B. White, W. R. Harrison, R. N. Dossor, F. B. St. John and Robert H. Evans.

Advertising, W. M. Silver, H. W. Lyle, Jos. P. Summers, I. A. Bittle, E. C. Baldwin.

Membership, Geo. R. Hurlburt, H. D. Gump, Jas. F. Crumley, J. J. Conner, F. S. Henderson.

Parks and public improvements, Revs. W. H. Osborne, Dayton A. Dobbs, S. B. Vaughn, T. G. Davis, W. S. Buchanan, J. R. Chiles, H. T. Athey, and C. R. Tarwater.

Transportation, J. T. Cecil, J. W. Ring, M. L. Gump, R. A. Lacey, E. C. Lockett.

Reception and entertainment, Amzi Smith, L. Armbrust, C. O. Biddle, Tate L. Earnest and J. W. Hunter.

Municipal, T. V. McCown, A. B. Crouch, J. M. Ferguson, P. M. Ward, Jno. T. Hall.

Agriculture, M. Jackson, F. K. Mountcastle, Chas. W. Faw, H. W. Pardue, R. D. DeVault.

Insurance and real estate, R. C.

committee of Trousdale county, says:

"Governor Patterson grows stronger in the affections of the people as the days go by. Every effort on the part of carping critics, every stab by political enemies but serve to make him more popular with the masses. The inherent sense of fairness of the people, their loyalty to the true principles of democracy, cause the stalwart democracy of the country to look more and more to Gov. Patterson as the Moses of the democratic party to lead them out of the wilderness of fanaticism. Our people, generally speaking, heartily approved the governor's course in vetoing the drastic election laws enacted by the late coalition legislature. They resented the passage of these laws, not alone because they were passed for factional purposes and by the aid of republicans, but because they were unfair, undemocratic and, as chancellor Allison has said, unconstitutional. The sovereign democrats of this country believe they are capable of managing their own household without any partisan legislative regulation."

## ORANGES

Good juicy sweet oranges, a car load for sale at grocery stores and fruit stands. Call for Pardue's bulk oranges \$1.50 per 100. (27-21) H. W. Pardue

"What is your hurry, Carl?" "Going home to get licked." "And you're running?" "Yes; mother's there now; later father'll be home, and I'd get it worse."

See J. D. Longmire for a box of Law-ney's chocolates.

Remember S. B. White has high grade china this year as well as medium grade at lowest prices. 26-31

visit to Washington and conference with Postmaster-General Hitchcock, the rumor has been current.

It is understood that Eugene S. Priest deputy collector; John J. Gore, surveyor of the port; Paul E. Divine, Johnson City; John Early, Chattanooga; Sam Sells, of Bristol, and R. Q. Lillard, of Lebanon, are candidates to succeed Mr. Sharp.

## OUTLIVED THE LAW

James J. Van Allen, at a dinner in Newport, said that the secret of longevity lay in open air exercise—in playing thirty-six holes a day on the links, in walking twenty miles, in motoring from sunrise till dark.

Then, apropos of longevity, Mr. Van Allen told a story about a bigamist on one of his farms.

This bigamist married a woman, and one of the witnesses afterward admitted to the officiating clergyman that he had known of the bridegroom's legal inability to wed.

"But if you knew," said the clergyman, indignantly, "why didn't you tell me?"

"Well, parson, it was like this," the witness said. "One of the parties was 83 and the other was 87. I says to myself, 'Oh, gosh; is can't last long. Let 'em marry, an' durn the law!'"—Washington Star.

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Don't forget we are Santa's headquarters for dolls and doll carriages and all kinds of toys. The prices are right for all.—J. D. Longmire.

Maryland in 1789; James Treddell of North Carolina, in 1790; Thomas Johnson, of Maryland in 1791; Samuel Cense of Maryland in 1796; Bushrod Washington of Virginia in 1798; Alfred Moore of North Carolina in 1799; William Johnson of South Carolina in 1804; Thomas Todd of Kentucky in 1807; Gabriel Duval of Maryland in 1811; Robert Trimble, of Kentucky in 1823; James M. Wayne of Georgia in 1825; Roger B. Taney of Maryland in 1829; John Catron of Tennessee in 1837; John McKinley of Alabama in 1857; Peter V. Daniel of Virginia in 1841; and John A. Campbell of Alabama in 1853. The appointments from Maryland are given because before the war Maryland was regarded as a distinctly southern state, which has since not usually been included in the list of southern states. Before the year 1860 of the 36 justices of the supreme court that had been appointed 21 were from southern states.

Of the 21 justices appointed on the supreme bench since 1860 only five including the recent nomination by the president of Judge Lorton from Tennessee, have been selected from southern states, namely, John H. Harlan of Kentucky, appointed in 1877; William B. Woods of Georgia, appointed in 1889; Lucius Q. C. Lumm of Mississippi, appointed in 1883; Howell E. Jackson of Tennessee, appointed in 1893; and Edward D. White of Louisiana, appointed in 1893. Including Judge Lorton,

we may go as many as twenty rounds. I have no monetary agreement with him."

## ONE WAY OF LOVE

A young man and a young woman lean over the front gate. They are lovers. It is moonlight. He is loth to leave, as the parting is the last. He is about to go away. She is reluctant to see him depart. They swing on the gate.

"I shall never forget you," he says, "and if death should claim me, my last thoughts will be of you."

"I'll be true to you," she sobs. "I'll never see anybody else, or love them as long as I live!" They parted.

Six years later he returns. His sweetheart of former years has married. They meet at a party. She has changed greatly; between the dances the recognition takes place.

"Let me see," she muses, with her fan beating a tattoo on her hand, "was it you or your brother that was my old sweetheart?"

"Really, I don't know," he says; "probably my father!"—Tid-Bits.

J. D. Longmire has all kinds of toys and Xmas decorations. Give him a call before buying.

You will be delighted with the large stock of fancy china for Christmas at S. B. White's. 26-31

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